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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION **OF SPECIES**

SIR:

This is in response to the Election of Species dated November 17, 2005 setting a shortened statutory period for response expiring December 17, 2005.

Applicants elect Specie I directed to a substrate holder as disclosed in Figures 8A and 8B for examination in the present application.

This election is made without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to pursue the non-elected claims in a divisional application prior to issuance of a patent on the instant application.

Claims 1-3 and 24-26 are generic claims.

Claims 14-19 and 23 are readable on the elected specie.

Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

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